

Amendments to the Abstract:

Please replace the previous Abstract with the following redlined Abstract:

The invention relates to a method and system for the specific detection of a ~~microbacterial~~ Mycobacterium tuberculosis (*M. tuberculosis*) in a biological sample, a difference being made, in particular between *M. tuberculosis* and other elements of *M. tuberculosis* complex, i.e., Mycobacterium ~~Microbacterial~~-*bovis* (*M. bovis*), Mycobacterium ~~Microbacterial~~-*bovis* BCG (*M. bovis* BCG), Mycobacterium ~~Microbacterial~~-*africanum* (*M. africanum*) and Mycobacterium ~~Microbacterial~~-*microti* (*M. microti*) based on a SNP in a narGHJI promoter.